

Today's Metal Prices
NEW YORK QUOTATIONS.
New York, May 20.—Silver 75 1/4c;
lead, \$7.50; spelter, \$16.50; copper,
\$29.00@30.00.

German Troops Again Take Offensive Along the Yser Canal and in Champagne

BRITISH INFANTRY AND ARTILLERY CHECKS ENEMY IN BELGIUM

French Curtain of Fire Stops Germans in Attempt to Launch Attack in Champagne—Seaplanes Raid East Coast of England—Bombs Dropped on Dunkirk and Bergues Kill Woman and Injure Seventy-six Persons—Many Air Battles Reported.

With comparative quiet prevailing at Verdun, the Germans last night made a thrust at the British lines in Flanders, attempting to cross the Yser canal north of Ypres. The French war office declares the attempt failed. Activity has also been displayed by the Germans in other sectors of the western front, notably in a gas attack in the Champagne region, which is also declared to have been fruitless.

Three German seaplanes raided the British east coast but according to the British announcement they caused few casualties and lost one of their machines. German aeroplanes attacked Dunkirk and Bergues killing six persons and wounding 35 others.

Paris, May 20, 12:30 p. m.—German troops took the offensive along the Yser canal between Steenstraete and Het Sas last night, the war office announced today. An attempt to cross the canal failed.

The Germans also attacked in the Champagne. The war office announcement says that asphyxiating gas was used but that the assault was repulsed.

Dunkirk was bombarded by German aeroplanes. One woman was killed and twenty-seven persons were wounded.

The town of Bergues near Dunkirk also was bombarded by German aeroplanes. Five persons were killed and seven wounded. In retaliation for these attacks French and Belgian aeroplanes dropped bombs on German camps.

On the Verdun front there were no important developments. French positions at Avocourt and at Dead Man hill were bombarded violently.

The statement follows: "In Belgium, groups of enemy troops attempted to cross the Yser canal between Steenstraete and Het Sas. They were checked by infantry and artillery fire.

In Champagne the Germans discharged dense clouds of gas along our front on the road between St. Hilaire and St. Souplet on the Souain-Somme-Py road.

"Our curtain of fire made it impossible for the enemy to launch an attack which he had prepared.

Violent Bombardment Continues. "West of the Meuse (Verdun front) there was a violent bombardment during the night against our positions between Avocourt wood and Dead Man hill. There was no infantry attack.

"In the Vosges an attack was made on one of our small listening posts. Sub-Lieutenant Navarre brought down yesterday his eleventh German aeroplane. It fell within our lines at Chattancourt and the two occupants were captured. Another German aeroplane was attacked by sub-Lieutenant Nungesser and crashed down in the Bers forest. It was the fifth aeroplane brought down by this officer. Three other German aeroplanes were hit by our fire and were seen to fall vertically in the German lines.

German Drop Bombs. "German aviators during the night threw many bombs on Dunkirk and Bergues. At Dunkirk a woman was killed and seventy-six persons were wounded. At Bergues five persons were killed and eleven wounded. In reprisal a French squadron set forth immediately to bombard enemy concentrations at Wywege, Zarre and Handzame. A Belgian squadron bombarded the aviation establishment at Ghistel. The greater part of the bombs reached their mark."

Berlin War Report. Berlin, May 20, via London, 3:47 p. m.—The failure of repeated attacks by the French on the German positions along the road between Haucourt and Eynes on the Verdun front was announced today by the war office. A patrol operation in the Argonne resulted in heavy losses for the French.

The text of today's statement follows: "Western front: In the Argonne German patrols penetrated the enemy's second line after a few explosions. They observed great losses in killed and wounded in the enemy's positions and returned with a few prisoners.

SWISS READY TO STRIKE HARD

Will Resist Invasion of Territory With All Forces at Government's Command.

Paris, May 20, 5:20 p. m.—Switzerland is prepared to resist with all the forces at her command any invasion of her territory by troops of the belligerents, according to an interview with President Camille de Coppet sent to the Journal by its Berne correspondent.

President de Coppet was asked specifically what would be the action of Switzerland if troops of one of the warring powers should be sent across the Porentruy salient. He replied: "The federal council would never tolerate such a proceeding and in accordance with the plans of General Ulrich Wille, the commander in chief of our army, would order the immediate mobilization of all our forces which would immediately be sent into action.

Army in Splendid Condition. "The Swiss army is in splendid condition. It has reached a perfection of training which has been hitherto unknown and has just received a complete equipment of new naval artillery which was manufactured in France and Germany by order of the Swiss government."

The Porentruy salient juts into France immediately south of Alsace. The town of Porentruy is about twenty miles south of the great French fortress of Belfort. If German troops were able to cross the salient they could strike at the communications of the whole French line from Verdun to Alsace.

WAR RISKS DROP TO TWO PER CENT

Reduction Attributed Chiefly to German Note and Renewal of British Campaign Against Submarines.

New York, May 20.—Trans-Atlantic war risk rates have dropped from 3 per cent to 2 per cent in both the New York and London markets during the last week. Information received today from London by a local firm stated that reductions of another half per cent were being made there in many instances. This would mean a cutting of the rates in one-half since the German reply to the last American note was forwarded to this country.

Although the reduction is attributed chiefly to the German note, local underwriters also attached importance to information received by them from England that the British campaign against German submarines had been effectively renewed. According to this information, which was accepted as credible by the underwriters, eight of the German undersea craft have been recently entangled and captured.

SERIOUS OUTLOOK FOR DOMINICANS

Cruiser Tennessee With the Salem Ordered to Santo Domingo—Additional Marines Sent From Haiti.

Washington, May 20.—Unsettled political conditions in the Dominican republic caused by the Arias revolution against the Jimenes have forced indefinite postponement of election of a successor to former President Jimenes, according to a report from Rear Admiral Caperton to the navy department today.

The cruiser Tennessee with additional marines has been ordered with the cruiser Salem to Dominican waters. About 400 marines from Haiti also have been ordered to Dominican waters.

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, May 20.—Enrique Henriquez, former minister of foreign affairs has gone to the United States at the request of various political parties to ask that the American armed forces be withdrawn from the republic. Seven of the Dominican provinces have repudiated the authority of congress. A

PROMINENT FIGURES IN CASEMENT TRIAL



Sir Frederick E. Smith (top) and Daniel J. Bailey.

After Sir Roger Casement himself, these two men are the most prominent figures in the Casement high treason trial in London. Smith is the brilliant young attorney general prosecuting Casement. Bailey, who called himself Beverly in Berlin, was Casement's right-hand man in the fight for Irish freedom.

numerous body of malcontents under command of General Desirio Arias, minister of war, is in the mountains near this city.

COMMANDER OF U-18 GUILTY

Lieutenant Otto Steinbrink Destroyed the Channel Liner Sussex—U. S. to Make Another Inquiry.

Washington, May 20.—The German submarine U-18, commanded by Lieutenant Otto Steinbrink, destroyed the channel liner Sussex, according to information received by the state department from allied sources. The identity was said to have been obtained from the crew of a captured submarine.

NEW AERO RECORD MADE IN EAST

New York, May 20.—Victor Carlstrom, in a 160-horsepower biplane, flew from Newport News, Va., to the Sheepshead Bay speedway in this city today, a distance of 416 miles, in four hours and one minute. This breaks the American record for this distance, according to an announcement made by the Aero Club of America.

PRESIDENT AT CELEBRATION

Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence Is Honored by Great Crowds at Charlotte, North Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., May 20.—President Wilson today addressed a crowd estimated at more than 100,000 gathered here for the one hundred and forty-first anniversary of the signing of the Mecklenburg declaration of independence.

He was introduced by Governor Craig of North Carolina, who spoke of the president as one of the greatest leaders the nation has ever seen. The president began speaking at 12:30 o'clock.

The president spoke briefly and devoted himself almost wholly to discussion of the ideals of the United States. He declared "untainted Americanism" was needed, and that the United States must preserve its ideals in order to be of assistance in helping the world.

"I have come back for a brief visit to a region dear to my heart," said the president. "I do not know whether I can interpret for you the spirit of this occasion. It is necessary to realize just what we celebrate. There were only three million people in this nation when it became independent. Now there are 100,000,000 people. There have been changes but we have the same elements. What I want to impress on you is that we have always been in the making. Among the men who founded this nation there was a very great passion for human liberty.

"This nation has devoted itself almost too much to material things. There have been other nations just as rich as the United States. We must think of what we are going to do with our wealth and our prosperity.

"America did not come out of the south and it did not come out of New England. It came out of the middle states, where there was a mixture of different races."

The president spoke of the European war. "What are the elements of this war?" he asked. "It is a clash of different elements. Europe is fighting out in war the question we are fighting out in peace. As the processes of communication have grown better nations and peoples have grown closer together. Men can now learn more about each other. So that now the melting pot is bigger than America. It is as big as the world. See then what a new world we have come into.

"Here in America we have tried to set the example of peace by keeping together. Isn't it the sign and dawn of a new age that the one thing new on which the world is about to fall back is the moral judgment of mankind?"

The president said he hoped the United States after the European war would be able to lift up a symbol of the "atill, small voice of humanity."

Closing his address amid a burst of applause the president left the stand to go to a local club for luncheon.

Charlotte, N. C., May 20.—President Wilson and his party arrived here at 10 a. m. to attend the celebration of the Mecklenburg declaration of independence. The president first reviewed a procession and later made an open air speech. Thousands from all over the state packed the streets and gave the president a great demonstration. At the reviewing stand he was welcomed by Governor Manning of North Carolina, and their staffs.

The procession, headed by the North Carolina National Guard, twenty-five hundred strong, took an hour to file by the point where the president stood. It was made up of not only the military but of industrial floats and exhibits, veterans of the civil war, fraternal orders and numerous other features representing phases of southern life.

INCOME TAX FOR YEAR \$20,000,000

Washington, May 20.—Returns from the income tax for the coming fiscal year are estimated at approximately \$20,000,000 in revised figures being compiled by the treasury department. The exact amount within a few thousand dollars, probably will be known within the next few days.

The expected return of \$20,000,000 is \$35,000,000 or over 40 per cent more than officials estimated when congress convened.

Individuals are expected to pay approximately \$62,500,000 and corporations \$57,500,000.

The \$20,000,000 estimate includes omissions for previous years due to mistake or attempts to evade payment.

NATIONAL GUARD GOES INTO CAMP

Over Thousand Members of New York Militia Gather at Sheepshead Bay.

New York, May 20.—More than a thousand members of the New York National Guard went into camp today at the Sheepshead Bay speedway in preparation for the opening this afternoon of a military naval and aviation tournament said to be the first of its kind to be held in this country.

The tournament will continue for a week and the profits derived from it will be applied by a committee appointed by the governor and mayor to promote the cause of national defense.

President Wilson was asked to open the tournament by giving an electric signal from Washington. The purpose of the show is to arouse interest in national defense by demonstrating the attractive phases of military, naval and aviation service. The program for today included a border raid and surprise attack, the establishment of a base for cavalry, artillery and infantry, wall scaling and tent pitching contests and races.

Aviators participating in a cross country rally are expected to arrive at the speedway this afternoon from distant cities in a competition for prizes for time and distance. Among them are Stevenson McGordon and Victor Carlstrom in a flight from Newport News, and Frank Burleson, flying from Itasca, N. Y.

BOY SCOUTS AID THE CLUB WOMEN

Vanguard of 20,000 Federated Club Members Beginning to Arrive in New York.

New York, May 20.—The vanguard of 20,000 women who will attend the thirteenth biennial convention of the General Federation of Women's Clubs to begin here next Wednesday began to arrive today. They were welcomed by committees of New York women aided by Boy Scouts. Mrs. Percy V. Pennypacker of Austin, Tex., president of the general federation will arrive tonight.

The Seventh Regiment armory in which the convention will hold its sessions will be transformed into a garden by decorating it with 300 pine trees.

AMERICAN FORCE MOVING NORTH

Large Bodies of United States Troops Seen Passing Casas Grandes, Reports Carranza Commander.

GEN. REYES SURRENDERS

El Paso, Texas, May 20.—General Gavira, Carranza's commander in Juarez, said today he had received information from Casas Grandes to the effect that large bodies of American troops were passing that place on their way northward. His information did not disclose the number of troops, he said.

Canuto Reyes Surrenders. Chihuahua City, Mexico, May 20.—Canuto Reyes, the Villista leader, has surrendered unconditionally to the de facto government, according to a message received here today by General Trevino, commanding the Carranza forces of Northern Mexico, from his subordinate, General Fortunato Maycotte, at Piedra Blanca.

General Maycotte said that Reyes agreed to disarm immediately seventy-five per cent of his forces, leaving a quarter of his army, consisting of picked men, to help the government search for the hidden arms and supplies in the district as well as to restore order.

Reyes Pledges Word. Reyes, the message adds, pledges his word to co-operate with the Carranza officials in hunting down any groups of his band that may have got out of his control. As soon as the state of Durango is pacified, the remaining portion of the old Reyes army will be disbanded to become private citizens.

General Trevino is busy making plans and disposing his forces for his coming campaign against the Villistas.

Well Known Mexicans Arrested. Douglas, Arizona, May 20.—A number of well known Mexicans of Mesquite, a mining town in Northern Sonora, have been arrested by Carranza officials and brought to Agua Prieta, where they await trial on the charge of having implicated themselves in a plot with members of the Clerical and Felix Diaz parties.

Funeral for Sergeant Furman. El Paso, Texas, May 20.—Sergeant Harry Furman, who was shot on Mexican soil Thursday, by a Mexican customs guard, will be given a military funeral late this afternoon, after which the body will be sent to relatives in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Trebino to Wipe Out Bandits. Chihuahua, Mex., May 19, via El Paso Junction, May 20.—General Jacinto Trebino, in supreme command of the troops delegated to wipe out the bandit menace of Chihuahua and Coahuila, arrived here today.

General Trevino said that he would be very careful not to occupy towns until after the Americans vacate, so as to avoid all possible chance of friction. He has established headquarters here.

OIL IS NEEDED FOR THE NAVY

Sec. Daniels Appeals to President for Continued Retention by Federal Government of Land Reserved by Taft.

Washington, May 20.—Senators today expressed interest in the protest of Secretary Daniels against the pending bill to legalize entries on certain California oil lands, which he said are needed to provide fuel for the navy. Mr. Daniels appealed to President Wilson yesterday for the continued retention by the federal government of the oil lands which were put in reserve by Taft in 1909.

A committee of California oil operators headed by former Governor Gilllett of that state is head of the interest of the legislation. It is said they may approve a compromise measure.

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